As Depicted By Bolmar

The ridicule with which the present generation in Topeka would probably greet the suggestion of a line of steamboats on the Kaw river would be well founded. But sixty years ago that very thing existed, and during the most romantic period of Kansas history—the days of famine and civil war, the days of John Brown and the bloody struggle between freedom and slavery—the Kaw was one of the important arteries of commerce in this section of the country.

Few steamers, it is true, were ever built expressly for the Kansas river built expression for the bu

SUNDAY.

WATS IT TO

THURSDAY.

European Nations. And the Americans May Be Able to Help. ,

New York, Nov. 30 .- Settlement of

Row between Washburn military State Auditor Knapp sounded S. O. police and Funston men.

FRIDAY.

STREAM OF TRADE

Sixty Years Ago Real Steamboats Navigated Kaw.

More Than Thirty Crawled Over Her Sandbars.

THE EXCEL WAS THE FIRST

Her Malden Trip With Cargo of Flour Made in 1854.

Rate From Lawrence To Kansas City Were High.

The Lawrence Herald of Freedom.

Rotes Were High.



The first steamboat to ascend the Kaw river to Fort Riley, the head of navigation, in 1854. A common type of the "stern-wheeler" in use at the time Help Settle Differences Among

ing of the territory to settlement by an act of congress made it necessary to utilize whatever facilities for transportation were at hand, and as is usually the case in a new country, where it is at all possible, the steambout was seized upon as the best means of boosting commerce and encouraging emigration to the state. Most of these steamers were eventually given over to the Missouri river trade, altho a few were sunk or burned in the Kaw.

The First Steamer.



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State Red Cross conference at Kansas Welfare Workers held inter Memorial hall and Commerce rooms, esting two-day meeting in Topeka.



Food saving campaign for starving Europe's benefit, a feature of nex

Local News Events of the Past Week FUN THRU IT ALL PRAISE BATTERY A

Kansas Boys in Thirty-Fifth Topeka Boys Commended for Never Quit Smiling.

They Took Hardships.

ALWAYS WERE ON THE MOVE 130 F. A. SHOWED METTLE

Ate Whatever They Were Given Towns Where Boys Won Glory and Enjoyed It.

Wanted Christmas.

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War with the Thirty-fifth division seems to have been a mixture of fun and frolic liberally sprinkled with a full share of hardships laughingly endured, according to a letter from one Topeka boy in France to his mother. The writer of the letter is a member of the 139th infantry, which is the regiment formed by the consolidation of the old 'Third Kansas and Fourth Missouri. The regiment is an integral part of the Thirty-fifth division, the unit nearest to the heart of Kansas and Missouri.

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Covered With Glory.

The division participated in the hard fighting along the Meuse and covered liself with glory and blood when it forcibly took the Argonne wood from the Prussians.

The letter from the front which fives a spifful review of the work of the troops, follows:

"Don't have any idea what I'm going to fill these pages with, but anyway you'll know I'm well. Six months ago we left the home soil and ventures for have any idea what I'm going to fill the proposed to the moral of the troops, follows:

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Bravery in Action.

Topeka . Boy Writes of Way Copy of Commander's Order Is Sent to Topeka.

Given by D. D. Longenecker.

Popcorn Not One of Things Best Troops of Kaiser Were Defeated Last of Sept.

Takes Over Legation,

Washington, Nov. 30.—Brand Whit-lock, former American ambassador to Belgium, formally notified the state department today of his occupation of the legation at Brussels, relieving the Spanish minister who cared for Ameri-cans during the German occupation.



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